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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Disclosed herein is an immunoassay comprising reacting an immobilized antibody obtained by holding an antibody, which recognizes a part of an objective antigen of determination, on insoluble carrier particles with an antigen in a test specimen, then reacting a free antibody, which recognizes an antigen site different from that recognized by the immobilized antibody, with the antigen; or reacting a free antibody, which recognizes a part of an objective antigen of determination, with an antigen in a test specimen, then reacting an immobilized antibody obtained by holding an antibody, which recognizes an antigen site different from that recognized by the free antibody, on insoluble carrier particles with the antigen, and optically determining the degree of a change in agglutination occurred by the reaction.

The immunoassay of the invention has advantages that it has high specificity and is simple and low in cost, and with respect to the antibodies used, insofar as one of the immobilized antibody and the free antibody has high specificity for the objective antigen of determination, the other antibody does not need to have strict specificity and may have some cross-reactivity.

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